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# Ultrasonic Additive Manufacturing for Capillary Heat Transfer Devices and Integrated Heat Exchangers, Phase II



Completed Technology Project (2016 - 2019)

## **Project Introduction**

This Phase II development program will utilize a novel new 3D printing process to produce high performance heat exchangers embedded in CubeSat structures with integrated temperature monitoring sensors. The embedded heat exchanger is part of a multifunctional three dimensional CubeSat structure that will simultaneously accommodate thermal and mechanical loads, and offer radiation protection via multi-material laminates. In particular, Ultrasonic Additive Manufacturing will be used to embed complex cooling channels in a three dimensional part. Success in this program enables low cost production of CubeSat structures with both thermal management and structural integrity excellence. These structures can be applied in low earth orbit devices, where thermal management of small satellites is a principal concern, and also in deep space applications, where radiation shielding is a major problem. The results of this enabling work will provide the engineering design and programmatic information necessary for implementation into a number of NASA space programs, including the planned mission to Europa

## **Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners**





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Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
Sheridan Solutions, LLC	Lead Organization	Industry Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB)	Saline, Michigan
Jet Propulsion Laboratory(JPL)	Supporting Organization	NASA Center	Pasadena, California

Primary U.S. Work Locations	
California	Michigan

## **Project Transitions**

April 2016: Project Start

December 2019: Closed out

#### **Closeout Documentation:**

• Final Summary Chart(https://techport.nasa.gov/file/139734)

## Organizational Responsibility

## Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

## **Lead Organization:**

Sheridan Solutions, LLC

### **Responsible Program:**

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## **Project Management**

### **Program Director:**

Jason L Kessler

#### **Program Manager:**

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## **Images**

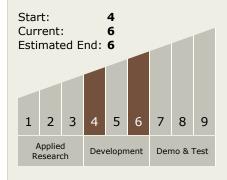


Briefing Chart Image
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Final Summary Chart Image
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e/134294)

## Technology Maturity (TRL)



## **Technology Areas**

#### **Primary:**

- TX14 Thermal Management Systems

## **Target Destinations**

The Sun, Earth, The Moon, Mars, Others Inside the Solar System, Outside the Solar System

